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CERTIFICATION CRITERIA

PURPOSE:

To define requirements for the certification of eligible individuals, **who voluntarily request certification**, by the Medical Director of the local EMS Agency as a First Responder.

ELIGIBILITY:

In order to be eligible to apply for certification as a First Responder, an individual at the time of application must:

- 1. Be a minimum of eighteen (18) years of age
- 2. Provide documentation of successful completion of an approved course within six (6) months prior to application for certification and possess a course completion record from same.
- 3. Pass by pre-established standards a competency based written and skills examination approved by this local EMS Agency.

PROCEDURE:

An individual applying for certification as a First Responder within this region shall:

- 1. Apply for certification within six (6) months of successful passage of the written and skills examination
- 2. Submit a completed application with the appropriate fee (cash, money order or provider checks only). Fees paid for certification are not refundable or transferable
- 3. Submit a current 1" x 1¼" driver's license style photograph. If the photo is submitted by mail, it will be necessary that it be accompanied by a photocopy of the applicant's driver's license for verification purposes.
- 4. Submit a signed copy (front and back) of the individual's current American Heart Association BCLS Level C or American Red Cross Professional Rescuer CPR card

The expiration date shall be two (2) years from the date of successful passage of the First Responder certifying examination